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# The Daily Courant.

Tuesday, December 17. 1706.

*London, December 17.*

Yesterday arriv'd from Holland the Mail of Tuesday last, that of the Friday before and that of last Friday are not yet come.

From the Antwerp Courant, dated Dec. 21.

*Alexandria, Dec. 2.*

**T**HE Imperialists having for 6 or 7 Days batter'd the Castle of Tortona with 12 Cannon and 3 Mortars, feign'd on Sunday last to abandon the Siege, and actually drew off most of their Troops towards Rivalta on the other side of the Scrivia; but the Night following they return'd, and made a sudden Assault on the Breach, with that Success (the Enemy being all in Confusion) that with little Loss they carried the Place Sword in Hand. The Garrison consisting of 6 Companies of French Foot, were every Man put to the Sword, as were also the Gouvernour Don Ramirez, and Don Antonio Capra tho' they offer'd great Sums of Money for their Lives. In the Place were found 7 Brass Cannon and 4 of Iron, with a considerable Quantity of Ammunition, tho' but little Provisions, so that the Garrison must have surrendered in 8 or 10 Days. A Garrison of 250 Men is put into the Place, and the rest of the Troops are march'd towards Cazal, on whose Castle two Batteries have play'd these 2 Days.

From the Amsterdam Gazette, dated Dec. 21.

'Tis advis'd from Italy, that the Floods caus'd by the Rains have made the Roads so bad for the Troops to march and for carrying Artillery, that it has very much retarded the Execution of the Designs of the Duke of Savoy and of Prince Eugene; but that however, no Change has been made in the Resolutions and Measures that were taken for reducing the Places that remain in the Enemy's Hands before they can be in a Condition to succour them. Besides a Confirmation of the taking of the Castle of Tortona by Storm, we have receiv'd the following Accounts.

*Turin, Dec. 4.* The Siege of the Castle of Cazal is carried on with very great Vigour. The Garrison consisting of 1200 Men, and his Royal Highness having hardly more than 3000 Men to carry on the Attack, he has caus'd 4 Battallions to come to his Camp, to be the better able to oppose their Sallies. Deserters from the Castle report, that the Major of the Place is kill'd, and the Gouvernour dangerously wounded by a Piece of a Bomb. His Royal Highness has signified to the Garrison, that they are not to expect any other Capitulation than to be made Prisoners of War.

*Milvn, Dec. 7.* Prince Eugene is taken up with viewing the Condition of the Places of this Dutchy, and 'tis believ'd he will go and view the Attack of the Castle of Modena before he comes hither; where he is expected to regulate the Affairs of our Government, and the Contributions that are to be furnish'd, as well for the Subsistance of the Army, as for raising the Troops that are to be levied for the Emperour's Service. In the mean time his Highnes has sent Order to the German Officers to draw towards this City with their Companies, and to the Commissaries to provide great stores of Powder, Musquet-Balls, and Cannon-bullets; which makes it believ'd 'tis design'd to form the Siege of our Castle, the rather because all the Fascines are already provided, and the Imperial Troops are breaking Ground on the side of the Castle towards the Country. The Levies for the Regiment of Bonefana are carried on with Succeſs, and that Regiment will soon be in a Condition to march. Placards are

affix'd there, for raising by a Loan 1 Million 400000 Livres, at a reasonable Interest. The Estate of the Marquis de Castel-Rodrigo, of 20000 Crowns yearly Income, is confiscated: As are also the Estates of the Duke di San Pietro, of the Marquis Casnadi, Don Pinaccio and Don Pierro de Barrena. The Duke de Moles is arriv'd here, and will proceed to Genoa, thence to go over to Spain, to attend King Charles in the Quality of the Emperours Ambassador. Just as the Post was going away we have Advice, that the Castle of Cazal is taken, the Garrison being made Prisoners of War. 'Tis said the Territories of the Duke of Parma are tax'd at 80000 Pistolets for Contributions. Troops are on the march, with Order ('tis said) to block up Cremona and Mantua.

From the Paris Gazette, dated Dec. 18.

*Madrid, Nov. 30.* The King having caus'd to be laid before his Council, the extraordinary Expence which the present War obliges him to be at for the Defence of his Subjects, has judg'd that the best Means for supplying it without overburthening the People, was to resume and make use of several Rights alienated from the Crown, among others those call'd *Alcavadas*, *Tercias-reales*, *Cientos*, and *Millones*. Accordingly the Sums arising from them since Midsummer-Day 1706, and those that shall be rec'd till Midsummer-Day 1707, will be employ'd towards the Charge of the War; his Majesty being willing that during that time the Possessors may produce their Titles, that just Recompence may afterwards be made them.

From the Amsterdam Courant, dated Dec. 21.

*Paris, Dec. 13.* The Duchess of Berwick is making Preparation to go to her Husband in Spain; where we reckon Affairs go very well for King Philip. The last Letters from Madrid advise, that his Catholick Majesty has publish'd an Edict, in which he demands that all the Church Plate be lent him, to enable him to pay his Troops, and promises to pay the Capital Value with Interest as soon as he has Ability: Tho' this be a dangerous Way of raising Money in Spain, 'tis hop'd it will meet no Opposition. The Squadron that is fitting out at Brest, Rochefort, and Port Louis, is to put to Sea for the West-Indies the 20th Instant, and consists of 18 Ships of War; but M. du Caffe who is appointed to command it, is come to Court to sollicit an Addition of 2 Ships more to it, because the English will have a considerable Force in those Parts, when strengthen'd with the Men of War that sail'd not long since from Lisbon. The King's Credit sinks daily, nor has the nominal Alteration of Mint-bills into his Farmers and Receivers Notes done him Service.

From the Leipen Gazette, dated Dec. 21.

*Paris, Dec. 13.* On Friday last the grand Council appointed to consult about the Operations of the ensuing Campaign, met for the first Time at Court: 'Tis talk'd the Duke of Vendome will be going from thence in 2 or 3 Days to his House at Aner, and that he expects the Elector of Bavaria to come to him there. 36 Ships of War are fitting out at Toulon, and the least of them carries 50 Guns: There not being Seamen enow in Provence to man them, a good Number will be sent thither from the Ports in the Ocean. Order is likewise given for fitting out 14 Men of War in the last mention'd Ports, to be sent to America to fetch away the Spanish Gallions; and 'tis rumour'd the Design is to bring them to France, and seize all the Money and Plate on board them; which would be a very feasible Help to the King to carry on the War, and enable

enable him in some Measure to supply the great Want of Money, which increases daily throughout the Kingdom. Letters from Madrid of the 28th of last Month advise, that the Duke of Berwick's Army having refresh'd themselves a little in Quarters, have taken the Field again and are march'd to besiege Alieant. Mean while they write from Perpignan the 4th Instant, that the Duke de Noailles has been forc'd to return thither with 5000 Men which he was to have led to Spain by Navarre, those Troops not having been able to continue their march, because the continual Rains had render'd the Defiles they were to pass in the Mountains unpassable.

From the Antwerp Courant, dated Dec. 21.

Paris, Dec. 17. The Marshal de Coevres will set out in a few Days for Toulon and Marseilles, whither the King has order'd him to go, to hasten the fitting out of the Fleet. The Duke de Noailles is arriv'd Post at Versailles, to give the King an Account of the Condition of the Troops in Roussillon.

Avignon, Dec. 9. 'Tis advis'd from Dauphine, that the King's Commissaries not finding Men enough in that Province fit for the Service, have been forc'd to take up Lads of 14 and 15 Years of Age, and to compel them to list; which has occasion'd abundance of Families in the open Country to desert their Habitations:

From the Leiden Gazette, dated Dec. 21.

Francfort, Dec. 15. We have Advice, that the French have demanded the eldest Son of every Family throughout all Alsace, to serve for their Recruits and new Levies; and that they threaten to make their Parents responsible for them, in Case they do not appear, or shall afterwards desert. Which causes a great Desolation in that Province.

From the Paris Gazette, dated Dec. 18.

Paris, Dec. 18. The 15th of August of the Year ensuing, being the Feast of St. Lewis, the French Academy will give the Prize of Eloquence, the Subject of which is to be, *That there can be no true Happiness but in the Practice of Christian Virtues*; and also the Prize of Poetry, which is to be on this Subject, *That the King's Wisdom renders him superior to all Manner of Events*.

London, December 17

The Queen having been pleas'd at the Request of the Lord Mayor and Court of Aldermen, to give the Colours taken at the Battle of Ramilly to the City, to be put up in Guild-Hall. They are on Thursday next to be carried from White-Hall thro' St. James's Park, for Her Majesty, who will be at my Lord Fitzharding's Lodgings, to see them pass by; and are from thence to proceed about 12 o'Clock through the Pell-Mell to Guild-Hall, guarded by a Squadron of the Horse and a Battalion of the Foot Guards.

General Churchill is made Governor of Guernsey, in the Room of my Lord Hatton deceas'd; and Brigadier Cadogan succeeds General Churchill as Lieutenant of the Tower.

At the Theatre Royal in Drury-Lane, this present Tuesday, being the 17th of December, will be presented an Opera call'd, *Camilla*. All Sung after the Italian manner. With Dancing by Monsieur Cherrier, Monsieur Dubargues, Miss Santlow and others. Being the last time but one of performing this Opera till after Christmas.

Never Acted but once.

By her Majesty's Company of Comedians.

At the Queen's Theatre in the Hay-Market, this present Tuesday, being the 17th of December, will be presented a new Tragedy, call'd, *Almyra, or, The Arabian Vow*. The principal Parts to be perform'd by Mr. Betterton, Mr. Wilks, Mr. Keen, Mrs. Barry, Mrs. Bracegirdle.

These Plays are Sold by J. Knapton at the Crown in St. Paul's Church-yard, and B. Lintott next Nando's Coffee-House, Temple-Bar.

An Entertainment by Mr. CLINCH of BARNET, who imitates the Flute, Double Curtell, the Organ with 3 Voices, the Horn, Huntman and Pack of Hounds, the Sham Doctor, the Old Woman, the Drunken Man, the Bells: All Instruments are perform'd by his natural Voice. To be seen this present Evening at 7 o'Clock at the Cross-Keys Tavern next Temple-Bar. Price 1 s.

On Tuesday last the 10th Instant, there was taken up by a Gentleman near Holborn-Bars, a Piece of Silk, who ever has lost it, coming to Mr. Allnut's Glover, at the corner of Pope's Head-Alley in Cornhill, and describing it, may have it again, paying the Charge of this Advertisement.

In the Sun Tavern Fields in upper Shadwell, is a Rope-walk to be Lett, raing with the back Lane, with all Accommodations: Lately belonging to one Rogers. Inquire upon the Premisses and you may know further.

Samuel Dunklyn, Mercer, late of Covent Garden, is now Remov'd to the Golden Anchor in Leaden-Hall-street, and sells Calicos and Silks as formerly.

A very good new built Brick-House, against the Queen's Lodgings in New-Market, fit for an Inn or Tavern, and has been used as such, is to be Lett. Enquire of Mr. Francis Tuckwell, Fishmonger in the Strand, or of Mr. John Lockyer, Poulterer in Leaden-hall Market.

These are to give Notice, That at the Marine-Coffee-house in Bircham-Lane, on Friday the 20th of this instant December, at 3 of the Clock in the Afternoon, will be expos'd to publick Sale, 26 Bags of Spanish Wooll, and near 50 Tuns of Iron, being unladen out of the Ship Nostra Senhora del Rosario, Bartholomew de Armada from Bilboa. The Wooll to be seen at Leather-sellers Hall in Little St. Helens, the Iron at a Cellar No. 9 at Cox Key, from 9 in the Morning to 12, and from 2 to 5 in the Afternoon. All the said Goods to be seen 2 Days before the Sale.

For Sale by the Candle.

To Morrow the 18th of this instant December, 1706, at 2 of the Clock in the Afternoon, will be expos'd to Sale (by Inch of Candle) in the Long Room at the Custom-house, London, 164 Hogsheads of Fine, Good French Claret, fit for present drinking, which are condemn'd in her Maj:ty's Court of Exchequer, and are to be seen in Globe-Yard, over against the Custom-House, this day the 17th instant, from 8 to 12 in the Forenoon, and from 2 to 5 in the Afternoon, and to Morrow till the time of Sale. The Buyer is to pay down 2 Guinea's each Lot, or the Lot to be put up again.

On Friday the 20th of this instant December 1706, will be expos'd to Sale at Loyd's Coffee House in Lombard-street, at 4 of the Clock in the Afternoon, 50 Pipes of Red Wine, fit for draught, to be seen to Morrow the 18th instant, from 8 to 12, and from 2 to 6, till the Sale begin, in a Vault under the Renish Wine House in the Still-yard in Thames-street, by John Styles Broker.

This Day is publish'd,

A Defence of an Argument made use of in a Letter to Mr. Dodwell, to prove the Immateriality and Natural Immortality of the Soul. By S. Clark, Chaplain to the Lord Bishop of Norwich, where may be had his Letter to Mr. Dodwell, his Boyle's Lectures for 1704 and 1705, his Paraphrase on the Gospels, and his Essays on Baptism, Confirmation and Repentance.

This Day is publish'd,

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There is now publish'd with great Alterations and Improvements, The 6th Edition of the New State of England, under our Sovereign Queen Ann In 3 Parts. With a compendious History of the Kings and Queens of England to this Time. Of the present Queen in particular, Her Court, Forces, and Revenues, with the Management thereof. Of the present Princes and Princesses of the Royal Blood, and the Succession to the Crown as it stands settled in the Protestant Line. Of the High-Court of Parliament, Privy-Council, and all Courts of Judicature. With the newest and Exactest Lists of Her Majesty's Officers in Church and State, and of the present Parliament and Convocation. Printed for H. Mortlock and J. Robinson in St. Paul's Church-yard.

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